



INTERNSHIPS FOR DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The mission of CONTACT of Mercer County, NJ is to provide emotional support to people in crisis or distress which increases their sense of well-being and their desire to live. One of the ways of executing this mission is training crisis chat and hotline specialists who provide active compassion and listening to those who reach out via online chat or phone. Chat specialists can choose to take National Suicide Prevention Lifeline calls. Learn more at contactofmercer.org.

CONTACT is actively recruiting undergraduate and graduate students to complete internships for degree requirements during semesters. Interns report to the Chair, Higher Education Partnerships Committee who serves on the Board of Directors. Examples of requirements may include completing an undergraduate experiential learning course for credit, or completing clinical hours as requirements toward courses in graduate counseling and social work degree programs. We are located in Pennington, NJ. Start and end dates are negotiable but should correspond closely to starts and end dates of courses and semesters respectively in compliance with college and university requirements. The mandatory duty is to complete phone room shifts on-site during required days and times assigned by the Chair and Executive Director. Additional duties may be explored with the Chair and Executive Director based on career goals.

Requirements include enrollment at an accredited institution in an applicable course for credit that mandates an internship, successfully completing a prior CONTACT training, or agreeing to complete an equivalent training as determined by the Chair and Executive Director. All majors are welcome! Interns selected are responsible for liaising between CONTACT and their institutions to complete the training if applicable, background check, and finalize a standalone or supplementary syllabus with all details outlined, before being cleared to begin interning.

Please promptly email Mr. Andrew Millin at internships@contactofmercer.org if interested in learning more. Please include a professional resume, and a cover letter with context on how the internship would align with academic requirements, additional responsibilities needed or of interest, and contact information for applicable institutional staff. Thank you for considering!